

CLC 2015 Regional Assembly Toolkit for Family Members June 5

Context: There may appear to be a deterioration of family life yet, they are formed by the Church using spoken rules without great expression of Love. Homilies need to relate to real life situations.

List of Supportive suggestions:

- Meals with the Family
- Love without expectation
- Take time to be present to them
- Express Forgiveness and Reconciliation
- Men's role is spoken to in the writing of Richard Rohr
- Meditate, Pray, Share
- Work with the other
- Affirm Men
- Affirm single persons
- Continue Disposition Days
- Use the Four Columns of Discernment for important decisions
- Practice the Awareness Examen
- Use modeling
- Express gratefulness
- Acknowledge Inter-generational needs
- Find God in all things. Keep it simple
- Older persons regret younger year approaches
- Keep company with older persons
- Use Silence
- NB to teach how to pray
- Practice DSSE
- Support none traditional roles of Single persons
- Include persons of isolation
- Bring newcomers and children to CLC
- See the Spiritual mother/father in every person
- Acknowledge surrogate family roles
- Recognise the depth of intimacy in a relationship
- Be supportive of dying members
- Work with challenges of language differences
- Recall that God is ever present, even in messy situations
- Reflect on what we can learn about the experience of suffering
- Keep hope alive
- Use compassion and mercy, not just rules